

# **MACKINAC BRIDGE AUTHORITY**

## **Press Release**

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### **July Traffic Report**

Robert J. Sweeney, Executive Secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority, reported today that 504,818 vehicles crossed the Mackinac Bridge during the month of July. This represents a 12.6 percent decrease when compared to the 577,884 crossings during July 2007.

Fare revenue for the month of July was up 6.7 percent and 6.7 percent for the year, compared to 2007. This increase is due to the recent toll restructuring that was implemented on March 1, 2008.

Mr. Sweeney reported that construction activity is in full swing at the Mackinac Bridge. He asks that travelers drive with extreme caution during the construction season, slow down, be aware of our construction workers, and "Give 'em a Brake".

	Traffic	Traffic	%	Fare	Fare	%
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Inc.</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>Change</u>
January	180,895	198,878	-9.0	\$711,793	\$763,991	-6.8
February	194,395	204,068	-4.7	\$757,109	\$773,945	-2.2
March	217,800	223,317	-2.5	\$960,341	\$829,402	15.8
April	210,946	234,249	-9.9	\$950,101	\$848,249	12.0
May	309,549	331,497	-6.6	\$1,280,938	\$1,168,109	9.7
June	366,985	413,485	-11.2	\$1,484,334	\$1,371,475	8.2
July	504,818	577,884	-12.6	\$1,919,803	\$1,799,740	6.7